PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicants: Yuji AKIMOTO et al

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 31, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows: (Please see following pages.)

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